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1. IN CONVERSATION WITH EXTAFF WESTERN HEMISPHERE DIRECTOR NUTT APRIL 1, POL COUNSELOR RAISED QUESTION OF EXTAFF DEMARCHE MADE MARCH 21/RE BORDER-CROSSING PROBLEMS. NUTT DID NOT SEEM FAMILIAR WITH SPECIFIC DEMARCHE THOUGH OF COURSE AWARE OF PROBLEM. HE TENDED TO AGREE WITH POL COUNSELOR THAT WHILE IT DEPLORABLE SUCH INCIDENTS OCCURRED RARITY OF OCCURRENCE REMARKABLE GIVEN EXTENT OF BOUNDARY AND BOUNDARY-CROSSING POINTS. MULTIPLICITY OF WHICH MADE IT DIFFICULT FOR USG REAFFIRM TO ALL POTENTIAL OFFENDING ENTITIES THE NECESSITY TO PREVENT BORDER VIOLATIONS.

2. AT THIS POINT, USA DIRECTOR SHORTLIFFE JOINED CONVERSATION AND RAISED LEVEL OF GOC (AND NUTT'S) CONCERN BEYOND THAT PREVIOUSLY INDICATED BY NUTT. SHORTLIFFE ACKNOWLEDGED THAT INITIATIVE MAY NOT HAVE COME FROM EXTAFF SECSTATE MACEACHEN SINCE THAT "NOT THE WAY BUREAUCRACY WORKS," BUT THAT MACEACHEN HAD PERSONALLY APPROVED DEMARCHE (AT THIS POINT NUTT LEARNED DEMARCHE WAS ORAL AND REMARKED "OH WELL"). SHORTLIFFE HASTENED TO ADD THAT MACEACHEN HAD RECEIVED AND PERSONALLY ANSWERED 12-15 LETTERS FROM MP'S
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WORKS" THIS MEANS HE SIGNED LETTERS PREPARED IN USA DIVISION), EXPECTED QUESTIONS IN HOUSE OF COMMONS, AND WANTED TO BE IN POSITION TO REPLY THAT ISSUE HAD BEEN RAISED WITH USG WHICH HAD GIVEN ASSURANCES THAT ALL POSSIBLE STEPS WOULD BE TAKEN TO PREVENT RECURRENCE. WHEN PHYSICAL DIFFICULTY OF CONTACTING ALL POTENTIAL OFFENDERS POINTED OUT, HE ASKED WHY FBI COULD NOT ISSUE "ALL POINTS" BULLETIN WHICH WOULD BE DISTRIBUTED THROUGHOUT THE US POLICE NETWORK WARNING AGAINST VIOLATIONS OF CANADIAN BORDER, REMINDING ALL CONCERNED THAT THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS PERMISSIVE DOCTRINE OF HOT PURSUIT ACROSS INTERNATIONAL LAND (OR SEA) BOUNDARY, AND ADVISING US POLICE TO HAVE RECOURSE TO RADIO (TO CONTACT CANADIAN POLICE) RATHER THAN TO ACCELERATOR.

3. COMMENT: NUTT'S ATTITUDE SUGGESTS THAT CONCERN OVER PROBLEM MAY NOT BE AS ACUTE AT HIGHER LEVELS OF EXTAFF. NONETHELESS, IT WOULD BE USEFUL IF EMBASSY COULD CONVEY TO EXTAFF THAT USG HAD TAKEN ALL FEASIBLE MEASURES TO PREVENT RECURRENCES. IN THIS CONNECTION, WE WOULD BE INTERESTED IN COMMENTS ON FEASIBILITY OF SUGGESTION FOR FBI "ALL POINTS" BULLETIN.
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